

Grove City, Ohio, as the "Specialist Joseph W. Riley Post Office Building": S. 1596, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2082 Stringtown Road in Grove City, Ohio, as the "Specialist Joseph W. Riley Post Office Building". **Pages H1069–70**

Suspension—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measure under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed.

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 99 West 2nd Street in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, as the Lieutenant Colonel James "Maggie" Megellas Post Office: S. 1826, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 99 West 2nd Street in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, as the Lieutenant Colonel James "Maggie" Megellas Post Office. **Pages H1070–71**

Barry Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Foundation—Appointment: Read a letter from Representative Pelosi, Minority Leader, in which she appointed the following Member to the Board of Trustees of the Barry Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Foundation: Representative Larson (CT). **Page H1083**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H1068 and H1069. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 4:52 p.m.

Committee Meetings

VOLUNTARY CONSERVATION: UTILIZING INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Conservation and Forestry held a hearing entitled "Voluntary Conservation: Utilizing Innovation and Technology". Testimony was heard from Jason Weller, Chief, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Department of Agriculture; and public witnesses.

APPROPRIATIONS—DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development held a budget hearing on the Department of Energy. Testimony was heard from Ernest Moniz, Secretary, Department of Energy.

APPROPRIATIONS—NAVY AND MARINE CORPS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held a budget hearing on the Navy and Marine Corps. Testimony was heard from Ray Mabus, Secretary, U.S. Navy; Admiral John M. Richardson,

Chief of Naval Operations, U.S. Navy; and General Robert B. Neller, Commandant, U.S. Marine Corps.

APPROPRIATIONS—CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Homeland Security held a budget hearing on Customs and Border Protection. Testimony was heard from R. Gil Kerlikowske, Commissioner, U.S. Customs and Border Protection.

APPROPRIATIONS—CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a budget hearing on Corporation for National and Community Service. Testimony was heard from Wendy Spencer, Chief Executive Officer, Corporation for National and Community Service.

APPROPRIATIONS—DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, NATIONAL NUCLEAR SECURITY ADMINISTRATION, WEAPONS AND ACTIVITIES AND NUCLEAR NONPROLIFERATION AND NAVAL REACTORS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development held a budget hearing on Department of Energy, National Nuclear Security Administration, Weapons and Activities and Nuclear Nonproliferation and Naval Reactors. Testimony was heard from the following Department of Energy officials: Frank Klotz, Administrator for Nuclear Security; Anne Harrington, Deputy Administrator for Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation; Brigadier General S.L. Davis, Acting Deputy Administrator for Defense Programs; and Admiral James Frank Caldwell, Jr., Deputy Administrator for Office of Naval Reactors.

APPROPRIATIONS—CAPITOL POLICE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative Branch held a budget hearing on Capitol Police. Testimony was heard from the following U.S. Capitol Police officials: Kim C. Dine, Chief of Police; Matthew R. Verderosa, Assistant Chief of Police; and Richard L. Braddock, Chief Administrative Officer.

APPROPRIATIONS—DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies held a budget hearing on Department of Housing and Urban Development. Testimony was heard from Julian Castro, Secretary, Department of Housing and Urban Development.

APPROPRIATIONS—ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative Branch held a budget hearing on the Architect of the Capitol. Testimony was heard from Stephen T. Ayers, Architect, U.S. Capitol.

MEMBER DAY—NATIONAL DEFENSE PRIORITIES FROM MEMBERS FOR THE FY 2017 NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Armed Services: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Member Day—National Defense Priorities from Members for the FY 2017 National Defense Authorization Act”. Testimony was heard from Representatives Chabot, Velázquez, Rothfus, Crawford, Hanna, Meehan, Judy Chu of California, Perry, Poliquin, Wagner, Radewagen, Hardy, Blackburn, Neugebauer, Bost, and Yoho.

AIR FORCE PROJECTION FORCES AVIATION PROGRAMS AND CAPABILITIES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces held a hearing entitled “Air Force Projection Forces Aviation Programs and Capabilities for Fiscal Year 2017”. Testimony was heard from Lieutenant General James M. “Mike” Holmes, USAF, Deputy Chief of Staff for Strategic Plans and Requirements; and Lieutenant General Arnold W. Bunch, Jr., USAF, Military Deputy, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition.

SPECIAL OPERATIONS FORCES IN AN EVOLVING THREAT ENVIRONMENT: A REVIEW OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2017 BUDGET REQUEST FOR U.S. SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities held a hearing entitled “Special Operations Forces in an Evolving Threat Environment: A Review of the Fiscal Year 2017 Budget Request for U.S. Special Operations Command”. Testimony was heard from Theresa Whelan, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Special Operations/Low-Intensity Conflict (ASD/SOLIC); and General Joseph L. Votel, Commander, U.S. Special Operations Command.

LEGISLATIVE HEARING TO EXAMINE PIPELINE SAFETY REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power held a hearing entitled “Legislative Hearing to Examine Pipeline Safety Reauthorization”. Testimony was heard from Marie Therese Dominguez, Administrator, Pipeline and Hazardous

Materials Safety Administration, Department of Transportation; and public witnesses.

EXAMINING THE FINANCING AND DELIVERY OF LONG-TERM CARE IN THE U.S.

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “Examining the Financing and Delivery of Long-Term Care in the U.S.”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

HELPING THE DEVELOPING WORLD FIGHT TERROR FINANCE

Committee on Financial Services: Task Force to Investigate Terrorism Financing held a hearing entitled “Helping the Developing World Fight Terror Finance”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

TRANSPARENCY, TRUST AND VERIFICATION: MEASURING EFFECTIVENESS AND SITUATIONAL AWARENESS ALONG THE BORDER

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security held a hearing entitled “Transparency, Trust and Verification: Measuring Effectiveness and Situational Awareness along the Border”. Testimony was heard from Ronald D. Vitiello, Acting Chief, U.S. Border Patrol, Department of Homeland Security; Major General Randolph D. “Tex” Alles (Retired, USMC), Executive Assistant Commissioner, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security; and Rebecca Gambler, Director, Homeland Security and Justice Issues, Government Accountability Office.

THE ORIGINAL UNDERSTANDING OF THE ROLE OF CONGRESS AND HOW FAR WE’VE DRIFTED FROM IT

Committee on the Judiciary: Task Force on Executive Overreach held a hearing entitled “The Original Understanding of the Role of Congress and How Far We’ve Drifted from It”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

THE ENCRYPTION TIGHTROPE: BALANCING AMERICANS’ SECURITY AND PRIVACY

Committee on the Judiciary: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The Encryption Tightrope: Balancing Americans’ Security and Privacy”. Testimony was heard from James B. Comey, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation; and public witnesses.

EXAMINING THE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR'S SPENDING PRIORITIES AND THE PRESIDENT'S FISCAL YEAR 2017 BUDGET PROPOSAL

Committee on Natural Resources: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Examining the Department of the Interior's Spending Priorities and the President's Fiscal Year 2017 Budget Proposal". Testimony was heard from Sally Jewell, Secretary, Department of the Interior.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURE

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Water, Power and Oceans held a hearing on H.R. 4576, the "Ensuring Access to Pacific Fisheries Act". Testimony was heard from David Balton, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Oceans and Fisheries, Department of State; Russell Smith, Deputy Assistant Secretary for International Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 2615, the "Virgin Islands of the United States Centennial Commission Act"; H.R. 2908, the "National Bison Legacy Act"; H.R. 4359, the "Administrative Leave Reform Act"; H.R. 4361, the "Federal Information Systems Safeguards Act of 2016"; H.R. 4392, to amend title 5, United States Code, to require that the Office of Personnel Management submit an annual report to Congress relating to the use of official time by Federal employees; H.R. 4612, the "Midnight Rule Relief Act of 2016"; H.R. 4639, to reauthorize the Office of Special Counsel, to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide modifications to authorities relating to the Office of Special Counsel, and for other purposes; S. 1109, the "Truth in Settlements Act of 2015"; H.R. 3866, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1265 Hurffville Road in Deptford Township, New Jersey, as the "First Lieutenant Salvatore S. Corma II Post Office Building"; H.R. 4372, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 15 Rochester Street, Bergen, New York, as the "Barry G. Miller Post Office"; and H.R. 4605, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 615 6th Avenue SE in Cedar Rapids, Iowa as the "Sgt. 1st Class Terry L. Pasker Post Office Building". The following legislation was ordered reported, without amendment: S. 1109, H.R. 3866, H.R. 4605, H.R. 4612, and H.R. 4372. The following legislation was ordered reported, as amended: H.R. 2615, H.R. 2908, H.R. 4359, H.R. 4361, H.R. 4392, and H.R. 4639.

ENSURING TERMINATED PROVIDERS ARE REMOVED FROM MEDICAID AND CHIP ACT

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 3716, the "Ensuring Terminated Providers are Removed from Medicaid and CHIP Act". The committee granted, by voice vote, a structured rule for H.R. 3716. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule makes in order as original text for purpose of amendment an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 114-45 and provides that it shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against that amendment in the nature of a substitute. The rule makes in order only those further amendments printed in the Rules Committee report. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Bucshon, Tonko, and Carter of Georgia.

SAVING TAXPAYER DOLLARS BY REDUCING FEDERAL OFFICE SPACE COSTS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management held a hearing entitled "Saving Taxpayer Dollars by Reducing Federal Office Space Costs". Testimony was heard from Representative Hoyer; D. Brooks Smith, Chair, Committee on Space and Facilities, Judicial Conference of the United States; Norman Dong, Commissioner, Public Buildings Service, General Services Administration; Richard L. Haley II, Chief Financial Officer/Assistant Director, Facilities and Logistics Services Division, Federal Bureau of Investigation.

GETTING INCENTIVES RIGHT: CONNECTING LOW-INCOME INDIVIDUALS WITH JOBS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Human Resources held a hearing entitled "Getting Incentives Right: Connecting Low-Income Individuals with Jobs". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

GERMANY'S CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE OSCE

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission concluded a hearing to examine Germany's chairmanship of the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe, focusing on priorities and challenges, after receiving testimony from Frank-Walter Steinmeier, Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe, Berlin, Germany.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D185)

H.R. 487, to allow the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma to lease or transfer certain lands. Signed on February 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–127)

H.R. 890, to revise the boundaries of certain John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System units in Florida. Signed on February 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–128)

H.R. 3262, to provide for the conveyance of land of the Illiana Health Care System of the Department of Veterans Affairs in Danville, Illinois. Signed on February 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–129)

H.R. 4056, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to convey to the Florida Department of Veterans Affairs all right, title, and interest of the United States to the property known as “The Community Living Center” at the Lake Baldwin Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic, Orlando, Florida. Signed on February 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–130)

H.R. 4437, to extend the deadline for the submittal of the final report required by the Commission on Care. Signed on February 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–131)

S. 2109, to direct the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to develop an integrated plan to reduce administrative costs under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act. Signed on February 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–132)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2, 2016

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2017 for the Department of the Interior, 10 a.m., SD–124.

Subcommittee on Department of Defense, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification

for fiscal year 2017 for the Navy and Marine Corps, 10:30 a.m., SD–192.

Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2017 for the Food and Drug Administration, 2 p.m., SD–124.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2017 for the Army Corps of Engineers and the Department of the Interior Bureau of Reclamation, 2:30 p.m., SD–138.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Federal Communications Commission, 10 a.m., SR–253.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to hold hearings to examine S. 2446, to amend subtitle D of the Solid Waste Disposal Act to encourage recovery and beneficial use of coal combustion residuals and establish requirements for the proper management and disposal of coal combustion residuals that are protective of human health and the environment, S. 1479, to amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to modify provisions relating to grants, and an original bill entitled, “Good Samaritan Cleanup of Orphan Mines Act of 2016”, 9:30 a.m., SD–406.

Committee on Finance: business meeting to consider the nominations of Mary Katherine Wakefield, of North Dakota, to be Deputy Secretary of Health and Human Services, Andrew LaMont Eanes, of Kansas, to be Deputy Commissioner of Social Security, and Elizabeth Ann Copeland, of Texas, and Vik Edwin Stoll, of Missouri, both to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the economic and geopolitical implications of low oil and gas prices, 10 a.m., SD–419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Patrick Pizzella, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Federal Labor Relations Authority, and Julie Helene Becker, Steven Nathan Berk, and Elizabeth Carroll Wingo, each to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, 10 a.m., SD–342.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: to hold a joint hearing with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine the legislative presentation of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, 10 a.m., SD–G50.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Past, Present, and Future of SNAP: Examining State Options”, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, budget hearing on Department of Veterans Affairs, 9:30 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Defense, budget hearing on the Air Force, 10 a.m., H–140 Capitol.